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**UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 42P12456D

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Title Improving Slew Rate at Buffers by Isolating Predriver From Driver

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. Specification *[Total Pages 18]*
 - Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings *(if filed)*
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawing(s) *(35 U.S.C. 113)* *[Total Sheets 4]*
5. Oath or Declaration (signed) *[Total Pages 4]*
 - a. Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)) *(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)*
 - i. **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program *(Appendix)*
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission *(if applicable, all of the following are necessary)*
 - a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. paper
 - c. Statements verifying identity of above copies

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement *(when there is an assignee)* Power of Attorney
11. English Translation Document *(if applicable)*
12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations
13. Preliminary Amendment Application Amended to Reflect Claim of Priority
14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) *(Should be specifically itemized)*
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) *(if foreign priority is claimed)*
16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. Other: _____

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

 Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No: 09/965,110

Prior application Information: Examiner Linh Nguyen Group/Art Unit: 2816

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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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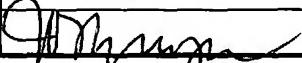
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| 1051 | 130 | 2051 | 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath |
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| 2053 | 130 | 2053 | 130 Non-English specification |
| 1812 | 2,520 | 1812 | 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination |
| 1804 | 920 * | 1804 | 920 * Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action |
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| 1251 | 110 | 2251 | 55 Extension for reply within first month |
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| 1253 | 930 | 2253 | 465 Extension for reply within third month |
| 1254 | 1,450 | 2254 | 725 Extension for reply within fourth month |
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| 1404 | 320 | 2401 | 160 Notice of Appeal |
| 1402 | 320 | 2402 | 160 Filing a brief in support of an appeal |
| 1403 | 280 | 2403 | 140 Request for oral hearing |
| 1451 | 1,510 | 2451 | 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding |
| 1452 | 110 | 2452 | 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable |
| 1453 | 1,300 | 2453 | 650 Petition to revive - unintentional |
| 1501 | 1,300 | 2501 | 650 Utility issue fee (or reissue) |
| 1502 | 470 | 2502 | 235 Design issue fee |
| 1503 | 630 | 2503 | 315 Plant issue fee |
| 1460 | 130 | 2460 | 130 Petitions to the Commissioner |
| 1807 | 50 | 1807 | 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) |
| 1806 | 180 | 1806 | 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt |
| 8021 | 40 | 8021 | 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |
| 1809 | 750 | 1809 | 375 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a)) |
| 1810 | 750 | 2810 | 375 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b)) |
| 1801 | 750 | 2801 | 375 Request for Continued Examination (RCE) |
| 1802 | 900 | 1802 | 900 Request for expedited examination of a design application |
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